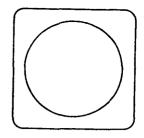


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REPORTING PERIOD: February 11, 1973 to April 10, 1973

Gentlemen:

This Type I Progress Report is submitted in compliance with Article II, Item 3 of the subject contract.

Accomplishments This Reporting Period

The majority of the effort expanded during the reporting period has been directed toward continued analysis of "sea truth" and remote data. This has included correlation of fish catch location with turbid features imaged by ERTS MSS, as well as correlation of MSS image density as determined from images and digital tapes with "in situ" determination of water transparency and water depth. Computer enhanced images are also being produced and utilized to further delineate relationships between ERTS imaged features and distribution of commercially available fish schools.

Preliminary comparisons of results obtained by EarthSat and by NMFS personnel were also initiated leading to a scheduled meeting at MTF in May during which final review of analysis procedures and results of data analyzed by the various groups will be achieved.

A paper was presented at the "Symposium on Significant Results Obtained From ERTS-1" sponsored by GSFC. This paper dealt with those results obtained to date, specifically with respect to relationship between turbid features in Mississippi Sound and distribution of commercial fishing effort.

(E73-10480) INVESTIGATION TO IMPROVE MENHADEN FISHERY PREDICTION Progress Report, 11 Feb. - 10 Apr. 1973 (Earth Satellite Corp.) 3 p HC \$3.00 CSCL 08A

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Planned Activities

Final analyses of data will be completed and discussed with the other experiment participants at a meeting scheduled for 1 May at the FEL/NMFS at the Mississippi Test Facility.

During the upcoming period, the final report for this project will be completed and submitted.

Changes in Standing Order Forms

None

ERTS Image Descriptor Forms

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Data Request Forms

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Sincerely yours,

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ERTS IMAGE DESCRIPTOR FORM

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